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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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The International Searching Authority has determined that this international application contains multiple (groups of) inventions, namely

1. Claims 1-8, 21

measuring apparatus and method of locating a partial discharge.

2. Claims 9-20

design of a sensor that is suitable for detecting partial discharges.

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